

TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL MEMORANDUM

HB 1799 – SB 2392

March 5, 2014

SUMMARY OF ORIGINAL BILL: Authorizes the Commissioner of Education to waive any state statute, with certain restrictions, that inhibits a local education agency's ability to meet its goals or comply with its mission. Requires local education agencies to apply for such waivers.

FISCAL IMPACT OF ORIGINAL BILL:

NOT SIGNIFICANT

SUMMARY OF AMENDMENT (013610): Adds language to Section 1 of the original bill prohibiting the Commissioner of Education from waiving regulatory or statutory requirements related to employee rights, salaries and benefits, or licensure of employees.

FISCAL IMPACT OF BILL WITH PROPOSED AMENDMENT:

Unchanged from the original fiscal note.

Assumptions for the bill as amended:

- Currently, local education agencies may apply to the Commissioner of Education for waivers from State Board of Education rules and regulations. The Commissioner cannot waive certain regulatory or statutory requirements.
- No change in the Basic Education Program (BEP) funding formula.
- Any fiscal impact on local expenditures as a result of receiving waivers from state statutes will be permissive and is estimated to be not significant.
- Any fiscal impact on local expenditures as a result of adding items to the list for which the Commissioner of Education cannot waive statutory or regulatory requirements is estimated to be not significant.

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CERTIFICATION:

The information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lucian D. Geise". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Lucian" written in a larger, more prominent script than the last name "Geise".

Lucian D. Geise, Executive Director

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